

**REMARKS**

It is noted that claims 1-18 are pending in the application, that claims 8 and 9 have been allowed, and that claims 1-7 and 10-18 have been rejected, which rejection has been made Final.

Claims 2, 3, 4, 11 and 15 have been amended to depend from allowed claim 8 and, along with dependent claims 10, 13, 16 and 17 which also depend directly or indirectly from claim 8, are believed to be in condition for allowance.

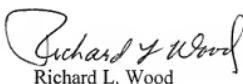
Claims 1, 5-7, 12, 14 and 18 have been cancelled, which cancellation is for the purpose of expediting allowance of the application and is to be taken without prejudice to applicant's claim to novelty in the subject matter defined therein.

In view of the foregoing, allowance of amended claims 2, 3, 4, 10, 11, 13, 15, 16 and 17 along with allowed claims 8 and 9 is believed to be in order and such action is earnestly solicited.

Should the Examiner have any questions or otherwise believe a telephone discussion with applicant's undersigned attorney would expedite allowance of the application, it is respectfully requested that he initiate such a discussion.

Respectfully submitted,

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